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## EPITOME OF THE WEEK

Interesting News Compilation.

### XLVIIIth Congress.

MONDAY, Dec. 17.—In the Senate a resolution to proceed to the election of officers was laid aside to hear the announcement of the death of Representative Haskell. Mr. Ingalls spoke briefly. A committee to afford the obsequies was appointed, and an adjournment was taken.

In the House the Chairman referred to the death of Hon. D. G. Haskell. Mr. Anderson delivered an eloquent address, when the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, Dec. 18.—Bills were introduced in the Senate providing for a civil government for Alaska and in regard to the election of President and Vice-President. Amos G. McCook was elected Secretary of the Senate; Charles W. Johnson, Chief Clerk; James R. Young, Executive Clerk; Rev. E. D. Huntley, Chaplain, and W. P. Canady, Sergeant-at-Arms. The House was not in session.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19.—A bill was passed in the Senate adopting the new standard time for the District of Columbia. A resolution of inquiry was offered as to how much land has been certified to railroad companies since the Supreme Court decision of 1873 on the indemnity clause. The House concurrent resolution for a holiday recess was amended to read from December 24 to January 7, and passed.

In the House a joint resolution for a holiday recess from December 24 to January 7 was adopted. A resolution to create six special committees, among them one on the Alcoholic-liquor Traffic, was adopted.

THURSDAY, Dec. 20.—In the Senate Mr. Collier introduced a bill for the appointment by the President of five Railroad Commissioners, to exercise supervision over interstate commerce. A resolution was adopted calling for information in regard to lands granted to railroads. Adjourned to the 21st. In the House a long debate ensued over a resolution to grant a month's extra pay to discharged employees, which was finally sent to the Committee on Accounts. Mr. Keifer voted up his resolution for the appointment of a committee on woman suffrage, which was committee—33 to 124. Adjourned to the 21st.

### From Washington.

It has been decided by the Supreme Court of the United States that the District Court of Dakota had no jurisdiction in the case of Crow Dog, the Indian Chief who was sentenced to death for the murder of Spotted Tail, and the prisoner would be released.

For the week ended on the 15th standard silver dollars to the value of \$375,494 were issued from the various mints, against \$650,500 for the corresponding week last year.

The total exchanges at twenty-seven leading clearing-houses in the United States during the week ended on the 15th amounted to \$1,463,145,325, against \$1,283,223,795 the previous week. The exhibit was accounted an unfavorable one, and indicated a decline in general trade.

In Washington on the evening of the 19th an O'Donnell-indignation meeting was held, at which forty speeches were made by Representatives Robinson, Calkins, Daniels and Gilford.

A COMMUNICATIION was sent by President Arthur on the 19th to the Senate setting forth the necessity of a deficiency appropriation of \$75,000 to supply the Crow Indians with food to keep them from starving.

The Grand Jury at Washington has indicted N. W. Fitzgerald and A. B. Welch for defrauding pensioners, and for fraudulent use of the mails.

### The East.

On the 17th navigation on the Hudson River was entirely suspended.

D. M. & E. G. Holman, dry-goods dealers at Binghamton, N. Y., made an assignment a few days ago for \$100,000.

In the oil refinery of D. P. Ringhard, at Pittsburgh, Pa., two boilers exploded a few days ago with such force as to injure six workmen, three fatally.

A few days ago Rudolph Heine was convicted at Woodbury, N. J., of manslaugher for killing his wife by a blow when angry at her for excelling him in a game of croquet.

In St. Andrew's Bay, Maine, four men were drowned a few days ago by their boat capsizing.

The other morning James Weaver, sixty years of age, was caught in the machinery in Hisssey, Howe & Co.'s Steel Works, at Pittsburgh, Pa., and torn limb from limb, portions of his body being scattered all over the room.

All the mines in Northumberland County, Pa., were on the 15th closed for a week, rendering two thousand persons idle.

The sudden death of Rev. Dr. T. D. Anderson, a widely-known Baptist clergyman, occurred recently in Boston.

Hiram Engrott and John Walsh, two patients at the Locksaw Hospital, Scranton, Pa., were found dead in bed the other morning, having been suffocated by gas.

The failure is reported of Boman & Son, Bermuth, dress-silk dealers of New York City, for \$150,000.

At Philadelphia on the 19th a Christian Convention was held to form an Anti-Secular Society League. Officers were elected and resolutions adopted denouncing all secret societies, declaring that "the Masonic Lodge fills our cities, secular and divine, with its partisans, shapes our political destinies, and teaches corrupting morality, subversive heresies of Christian religion and free institutions." The resolutions also declared that "the Grand Army of the Republic is an insidious, dangerous and useless form of secret organization."

It was announced on the 19th that unusual dullness prevailed in manufacturing business in Connecticut. The Pratt & Whitney Company, of Hartford, had reduced its force by two hundred men, and the Willimantic Thread Company had discharged a number of hands.

Willard Briscoe, of New York City, real-estate dealer, has failed for \$200,000, and Daniel Gordon, dry-goods dealer at Rochester, N. Y., has made an assignment for \$25,000.

A JEWELRY druggist named J. L. Clark was a few days ago robbed of a tray of goods valued at \$2,000 in a Waterbury (Conn.) store.

Mrs. A. E. Zimmerman, of Springfield, Mass., who some time ago attempted to kill her husband, was on the 20th sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, and Edward F. Rough, the discharged stage carpenter who attempted to fire the Casino Theater, in New York, has been sent to State Prison for seven years.

Advocates have been called to General Grant on the completion of the Bartholdi statue of Liberty, at Paris, to be placed in the harbor of New York.

The death of Rev. John B. Wright, the oldest Unitarian clergyman in the United

States, occurred a few days ago at Wayland, Mass. He was ninety-three years old.

The opening of the new cantilever bridge across Niagara River on the 20th was witnessed by ten thousand persons. The bridge was tested by sustaining the weight of twenty locomotives and twenty-four cars loaded with gravel without apparent deflection.

H. W. Walworth, of Saratoga, N. Y., who killed his father in a New York hotel, was married recently to Miss Corinne B. Brauntof, of Louisville, Ky.

### West and South.

The Legislature of Washington Territory adopted woman suffrage, and a large meeting of the settlers on the 17th positioned President Arthur to appoint Mrs. Dunaway, the leader of the woman suffragists, Governor of the Territory.

In the Buntin County (Ga.) Ku-Klux cases, five of the prisoners were on the 16th sentenced to two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$500 each.

At Huntington, Ore., on the 18th seven desperadoes, at the point of a pistol, robbed J. Tyler, a merchant, of \$15,000 cash and drafts. They also robbed the paymaster of the railroad construction of \$12,000, and others of amounts of from \$200 to \$500. There were no constables in the county, and the highwaymen escaped with their booty.

The assignment is reported of P. V. M. Raymond, of Fargo, D. T., one of the largest grocery dealers in the Northwest.

In a saloon at a St. Louis hotel a few mornings ago W. J. Person, postmaster at Batesville, Ark., who disappeared a few days ago, was found dead. He had poisoned himself.

A fire recently destroyed the business portion of Fortville, Ind.

On the cattle-ranch of the Choctaw and Arapaho agency, in Indian Territory, a prairie fire a few days ago caused severe loss. A man named Graham and his son were fatally burned while fighting the flames.

The State Agricultural Society of Illinois began its twenty-eighth annual session at Bloomington on the 18th.

At Hillsboro, Ill., on the 18th the prosecution in the trial of the assailants of Miss Emma Bond rested its case. Two convicts from Chester Penitentiary gave damaging testimony against the prisoners. J. T. Ferguson, a member of the Grand Jury which indicted the defendants, swore that John Montgomery offered to pay him any amount of money for a copy of Miss Bond's statement.

The mercury fell to thirty-six degrees below zero at Brainerd, Minn., on the morning of the 19th.

THREE buildings on the Union Dock at Baltimore, Md., belonging to the Baltimore Warehouse Company, were burned a few days ago, falling walls burying three firemen, two of whom were injured mortally.

On the morning of the 19th the family of Henry Hagedorn, of Cleveland, O., was found suffocated with coal gas in their residence. Mrs. Hagedorn and the nine-year-old girl were dead, while the father and two other children were unconscious, but soon recovered.

ON the 19th James Dyer, of Middletown, Owen County, Ind., was indicted for the crime of burning his own home and causing the death of his two children in February last.

NEAR Clinton, La., in the house of Jim George (Clinton) the other night his seventeen-year-old daughter, and another woman were shot and killed. Ed. Eli, a negro, was suspected of the crime.

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## TEN CENTS AND A MORAL.

Here is a silver dime, my son! Looks like lead, it is blackened so; Not a bit like the shining one, dropped in my pocket a week ago.

Drop it in the water, it changes. It should lose its shape in so short a time.

Would you like to know how come this change?

For the worse to a brand-new silver dollar?

The cause is simple and easily told....

But lay it to heart, O son of mine!

If it does not a moral hold,

It is better to have a coin to shine.

I draw from my pocket a copper cent—

See, there is the secret—the silver dime.

Dropped in this pocket by accident.

Has rubbed against copper all this time.

And the cents now a white more white—

Not improved by age, but bright.

With the silver dime comes on less bright.

And its value is questioned, as you see.

Now the world for boys is very clear,

And see, if the silver dime may lie to heart;

And I drop the silver dime.

THE BOY'S MORALITY.

Yes, the moral is clear now;

But I thought I was going to get that dime;

He pocketed the money every time.

—Harper's Weekly.

## BEAUTY AND THE BEAST.

### A Girl Who Played Both Parts.

A young lady on a train going to Chicago the other night lost her beauty in half an hour. Not a smash-up, or a tip-over, nor the explosion of a lamp. You see it was done in this manner: The young lady and her aged father and mother came into the coach, the daughter taking a seat alone next in front of her parents. I thought the young lady was the most beautiful I had ever seen. Her complexion was that of the delicately thin sea-shell held up to a ruddy sunset—pearly white with tints of pink laid in Nature's master hand. Her eyes, large, brown, beautiful, were fringed with long dark lashes that shaded liquid depths into which it seemed almost a sin for the vulgar to gaze. This is the gush of it—and I always think that a man who is ashamed to gush should never undertake to say anything about a beautiful woman.

Well, this young lady occupied the seat alone, and although many a young man came down the aisle hoping he could not find a seat elsewhere, everybody was well stowed away when the train moved. The conductor came for the tickets and the young lady looked back and said "Papa" as sweetly as oh, pshaw! what's the use of coddling one's brains for a comparison when there is none?

The gray-haired father showed his railway tickets and said he wanted a section in the Omaha sleeping-car.

"You must apply to the sleeping-car conductor; I have nothing to do with that," said the ticket-taker.

A brakeman volunteered to make the errand for the old gentleman, and soon returned to say there was not even a berth to be had; the sleeping-car was full.

"And must we sit here all night?" asked the beautiful young lady.

"I saw another way," said the brakeman, politely. "There, now, you may know how beautiful she must have been when a brakeman was polite to her."

At first she seemed abashed by the information, and her eyes took on an expression not unlike that of the wounded deer pleading in the eloquence of dumbness for mercy at the hands of the cruel hunter. I wished I owned a golden sleeping-car that I might place wholly at her disposal. Then her crimson lip began to curl up under her perfectly shaped nose, and the fire of anger was kindled in her beautiful eyes. I tried to make myself believe this made her look even more beautiful than before, and I might have succeeded had she not turned to her father and snapped out:

"That's just like you. If I were a man I'd learn something about traveling before I started out." The silver-haired mother leaned forward and soothingly said: "There dear, never mind; we'll get along all right." "Yes, all right, indeed." This is a nice place to pass a night." And turning to her old father again, she added: "I declare, I think you are the stupidest thing I ever saw!"

The old gentleman was wise enough to make no reply. "It would have been well had the other man been as discreet, since words only furnished fuel on which anger may feed.

"There, there, my dear, it can't be helped now, you know," said the old lady, in a gentle, motherly tone.

"No, it can't. It might have been helped, though, if father had known anything."

The old gentleman looked the chargin' fel, and patient mother leaned over and whispered something to the daughter.

"I don't care if he is; he's old enough, then, to know something," was the young woman's reply, and she turned her fierce eyes upon her old father, who quailed under their fire and said he was very sorry.

"Oh yes, this is a good time to be sorry. I'd like to see you catch me going away from home with you again."

The mother leaned forward and said: "Hear, you can lie down on the seat and get a little sleep, at any rate."

"I don't want to lie down on the seat; I'd rather sit bolt upright all night. I know I never saw such plucky spirituality in my life."

If the young woman's face told the truth, she would have enjoyed swearing at her father, or even slapping his poor old wrinkled face. She had attracted the attention of the passengers in the car, and some giggled at her, while others, more sensible of the deep chargin' and sorkow of the parents, glared at the young woman as if they would like to box her ears. But she did not see any of these. After a short season of ponting, in which she slammed herself around in the seat and shot revengeful glances toward her father, she began to arrange the hand-sachet for a pillow. The mother leaped up, and tenderly spread a thick, soft shawl over the sachet, smoothing out the folds with that patient tenderness known only to a loving mother. Sopitfully, the young woman re-arranged it, jerking it about, not with any hope of making it a more comfortable pillow, but simply to show her disapproval of her mother's methods.

As the daughter prepared to lay her head down, the old mother saw a wrinkle in the shawl and leaned forward to smooth it out.

"Do, for mercy's sake, let it alone," said the daughter, impatiently and impertinently.

"Don't you suppose I know it?" interrupted the touchy creature.

The old mother leaned her head on her husband's shoulder. She did not shed tears, but her heart was ill. The daughter laid her head, with its luxuriant brown hair, on the shawl and closed her eyes. In a few moments the mother quietly removed the light shawl from her own shoulders, softly, almost

## SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company will build twelve acres of shops in Glenwood, five miles from Pittsburgh.—*Pittsburgh Post*.

—The vibrations of machinery on upper floors are said to be entirely stopped by the introduction of a piece of rubber between the base of the machine and the floor.

—Paper gas pipes are the pipes of the future. They are cheaper, more durable, and being poor conductors of heat and cold the gas is far less likely to freeze.—*N.Y. Herald*.

—Herr Krupp, of Essen, has taken out a patent on a flat-headed artillery projectile. It tapers slightly at the butt, and not only pierces the plates more easily than the pointed kind, which are apt to deflect when striking iron at certain angles, but it is calculated to hit the iron-clads below the water-line.

—It is thought that the earliest patent in the United States was that granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Samuel Winslow, who had a method of manufacturing salt. "None are to make this article," said the patent, "except in a manner different from his provided he set up his works within a year."—*Boston Transcript*.

—Then I tried to recall the young woman's beautiful face. I could see the pink and pearl color, the crimson lips, the large brown eyes, the abundance of rich hair; but to save me I could not bring back the thought that all these made her beautiful. She had become ugly that I almost hoped she might turn out to be the stockman's "long-lost child" and that he would give me proof that I had read his thoughts aright.—*Den. Wythe, in Chicago News*.

skily, laid it over her daughter, and stooping over to tuck it in about the smooth, white neck, she kissed the child, and said: "Good-night, darling."

"Oh do for Heaven's sake let me alone."

After this burst of heartless perturbation all was still, and I found myself studying the faces of the passengers about me to see what they probably thought of the young woman. The thin-legged little girl in front—the fellow who had mistaken his cuff for his collar and buttoned it around his neck—twirled his struggling mustache and seemed to say: "She's a daisy."

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